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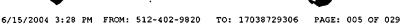
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A. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Applicants appreciate the attempts to set up a telephone conference by Examiner Ubiles. Since Examiner Matar was unavailable for conference in the weeks preceeding the filing of this response, Applicants respectfully request that Examiner Ubiles contact applicant if an Examiner's amendment could be made to place the case in a condition for allowance. Furthermore, Applicants respectfully request and will further submit such request for an interview to occur after the filing of this response to discuss placing the case in a condition for allowance.

Responsive to the Office Action of March 16, 2003, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the outstanding rejections and reexamination of the present application in light of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 4.

Arguments begin on page 15.